

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed to correct a typographical error in claim 12.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If any extension of time for this response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. Please charge the required Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess to our Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

Respectfully submitted,

NORRIS McLAUGHLIN & MARCUS, P.A.

By



William C. Gerstenzang  
Reg. No. 27,552

WCG:jh  
220 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street  
30<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, New York 10017  
(212) 808-0700

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being mailed with sufficient postage via Express Mail, label no. EV 383033475 USto the United States Patent and Trademark Office, addressed to: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 15, 2004.

By



Date March 15, 2004